

Subject: Old Chinese coin collection (64 pieces);

John Reilly Jr.'s coin collection

Yamanaka + Co.

[Bar Harbor, ME]

1928-1931



MAIN HOUSE
KORAI-BASHI, OSAKA, JAPAN
AWATA, KIOTO, JAPAN
PEKING, CHINA
SHANGHAI, CHINA

YAMANAKA & CO.
JAPANESE AND CHINESE ART OBJECTS
MAIN STREET OPPOSITE MT. DESERT

BOSTON, 456 BOYLSTON STREET
LONDON, 127 NEW BOND STREET
NEW YORK, 680 FIFTH AVENUE

BAR HARBOR, MAINE

July 30, 1928.

Nemismatic Society,
New York.

Dear Sirs:

We have a collection , 64 pieces of Old Chinese coins, some made of Bronze, Iron, Jade and Lead. If you are interested to see them, we shall be very glad to send them for your inspection.

Hoping to hear from you at your convenience.

Respectfully yours,

Yamanaka & Co.,

KN/BH

August 10th, 1928

Yamanaka & Co.
Main Street
Bar Harbor, Me.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of July 30th is at hand.

I shall be glad to see the old Chinese coins about which you write. However, I shall be away until after Labor Day, so that if you still have them after that date, and it is convenient to you, I shall be very glad to look them over.

Very truly yours,

Curator

OSAKA
PEKING
LONDON



BOSTON
NEW YORK
WASHINGTON

YAMANAKA & CO.

JAPANESE AND CHINESE ART OBJECTS
127 MAIN STREET

BAR HARBOR, MAINE.....Sept 10th 1928¹⁹¹

M.....The American Numismatic Society,.....

TERMS Memo......Broadway Between 155th and 156 St.,
New York.

#✓ 1	1	Tang gilt broze coin		125 00
✓ 2	1	" " " "		125 00
✓ 3	1	" " " "		125 00
✓ 4	1	" " " "		125 00
✓ 5	2	Green bronze "	100-	100 00
✓ 6	1	" " "		25 00
✓ 7	1	Old bone "		50 00
✓ 8	1 set	Tang lead coin gilt		250 00
✓ 9	2	Large iron "	25-	50 00
✓ 10	1	Small lead "		15 00
✓ 11	2	Bronze "		30 00
✓ 12	1 set	" " <i>large on plate</i>		4444 65 00
				1085 00

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BAR HARBOR, MAINE

Sept 10th 1928.

Mr. Howland Wood,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway New York,

Dear Sir:

Your letter August 10th stating you
are kind enough to inspect our old Chinese coins

We have shipped our collection to you
by American Express Co., today.

If these pieces do not meet with your
approval. would you be good enough to return to

Yamanaka & Co.,
456 Boylstone St.,
Boston, Mass.

Hoping this collection will appeal to you,

Respectfully yours,

Yamanaka & Co.,

K. Kikugawa

17th September, 1928

Yamanaka, & Co.,
127 Maine Street,
Bar Harbor, Me.

Gentlemen:

The coins you sent to us last week have reached here and we have carefully examined them. We have virtually all of these pieces and for the most part we do not consider them rare or unusual. One or two, especially the two iron coins and some of the pieces in lot No. 12, are not genuine. A number of others are not coins but simply amulets. I am returning these, as per your request, to Yamanaka & Company, Boston, Mass.

Very truly yours,

Curator

May 14, 1931

Yamanaka & Company
680 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Attention of Mr. Tanaka

Dear Sir:

When you were here in our building making an inventory of Mr. Reilly's art objects you showed me certain Japanese cases containing coins that you said Mr. Reilly had bought of your firm but had not paid for. Knowing Mrs. Reilly's circumstances, I am wondering whether your firm would take back these cases containing coins. A while ago I mentioned to Mrs. Reilly that I had not included these in the inventory as they had not been paid for, and she then asked me if it was necessary to keep them, and that if they could be returned she would be very glad. There are five cases and I am not sure whether you sold all five of them to Mr. Reilly at the time. They are as follows: A group of seven trays tied with a cord on which I find the tag marked YK4802; a red painted box of coins with tag marked YM5216; a black lacquer box with tag marked 5216; a red lacquer box with tag marked 5216; and a pinewood box containing trays of coins without a number.

Would you be kind enough to let me have word from you as to what can be done about returning the above-mentioned items. Mrs. Reilly would be most appreciative of anything you could do with regard to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Curator.

OSAKA
BOSTON
LONDON
PEKING

CHICAGO
WASHINGTON
NEWPORT
PALM BEACH

YAMANAKA & COMPANY

680 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK

May 16, 1931.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, 155th and 156th Street,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of May 14th regarding Mrs. John Reilly's property, as you suggested, the collection of coins I specially bought for Mr. Reilly at his request and I have no other customer to place these with and so am sorry I am unable to take back this item and hope you will understand my position in the matter. The other items I have gotten from Mrs. Reilly's house to be credited on her account. I can well understand how Mrs. Reilly is placed and how hard it is for her but under the circumstances mentioned above feel there is not very much I can do about it.

Thanking you for your kind letter, I am,

Very truly yours,

K. Tanaka

K.T./J.P.

May 20, 1931.

K. Tanaka
Yamanaka & Company
680 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I wish to thank you for your courteous reply to my letter. I wrote to you, as you understand, as I wished to help Mrs. Reilly all I could. I appreciate why you did not feel you can take them back as Mr. Reilly told me something about these.

Very truly,

HW:JG

Curator